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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

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Dear Sir:

This is a request under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2004. This is a request for a two-month extension of time from July 7, 2004 to September 7, 2004. Please charge Deposit Account Number 50-1038 the amount of \$420.00, to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Please consider this a petition to extend the time to respond if an additional extension of time is deemed necessary by the Office. Authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account Number 50-1038 if such additional extension is necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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